



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Stuart D. Hellring, et al.

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For: PROCESS FOR REDUCING DISHING
AND EROSION DURING CHEMICAL
MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION

: PATENT APPLICATION

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: Group Art Unit: 3723

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: Examiner: George Binh Minh Nguyen

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: Docket No. 1780A1

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.